

The Second Hand of Time

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THE
MONSTER
THAT
ESCAPES
THESE
CHAINS

IS
BOUND
TO
NOTHING.

AND IT WILL
DEFINITELY
HARM PEOPLE.



AND IF IT
WAS BORN
IN THESE
CHAINS,

THEN IT
SHOULD DIE
IN THESE
CHAINS AS
WELL.

AND THAT
MASSACRE
WAS NAMED
THE CULTURAL
REVOLUTION.



AND FOR
THIS THEY
TRADED
A THEIR
SOULS...

JUST FOR
THEIR
OWN
"EGOS."

TO PLAY
GOD?

WHY,
DID MY
ANCESTORS
CREATE
MONSTERS
WHICH
CANNOT BE
TAMED?

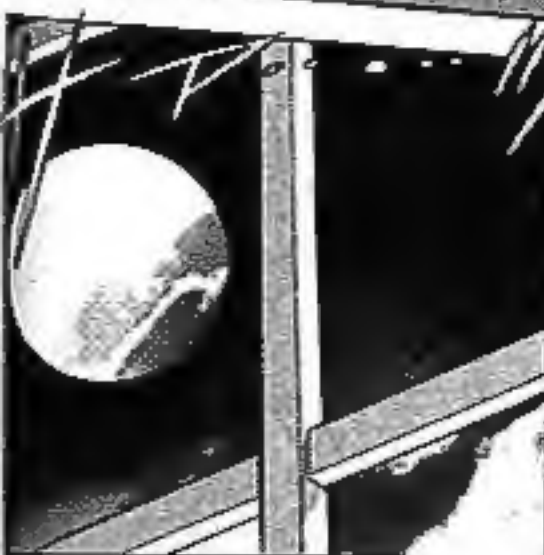
WHAT-
EVER
POS-
SESSED
THEM TO
DO SO?

WHAT-
EVER DID
SEDUCE
THEM INTO
DOING
SO?



"WHO ARE
YOU???"
WHAT THE
HECK ARE
YOU TRYING
TO PULL?

I HAVEN'T
SEEN YOU IN
A WHILE AND
THIS IS WHAT
YOU SAY TO
YOUR OTHER
SELF?



...
OTHER
...
SELF?



DARK?

.....



I WENT TO
STEAL THE
"SECOND
HAND OF
TIME."

I
....
WHA-?
...



WAH!
WHY ARE
YOU IN
FRONT OF
ME?

LIKE I'VE
BEEN
TRYING TO
TELL YOU.
I'M BRING-
ING YOU
BACK.



I TOUCHED
THE SLATE
...
AND THEN
...



THIS IS
THE WORLD
OF THE
"SECOND
HAND OF
TIME."

AND YOU
GOT STUCK
HERE.

THAT'S WHY
I HAD TO
COME BACK
TO FETCH
YOU.



I AM

YOU.

I DON'T
LIKE
ANYONE
TAKING "MY
POSSES-
SIONS"
AWAY
FROM ME.

FOR
MINE
!!

SO DARK
WAS
WORRIED
FOR MY
SAKE!?

I'm not something
you own for your
information

ANY-
WAY
...

EVERY-
THING'S BACK
TO NORMAL
SINCE THE
SNOW'S HOLD
ON YOU IS
WEAKENED.

SNOW'S
HOLD?

...
IT'S
TRUE.

THE
SNOW

HAS
STOPPED.

AND IT'S COM-
PLETELY YOUR
FAULT THAT
AND I WAS PEOPLE THINK
SO WORRIED THAT I'M A
ABOUT YOU FAILURE
TOO!

HE'S
LYING!

HE ONLY
CARES
ABOUT
HIS
OWN
PRIDE!

CEEZ WHY
THE HECK AM
I EVEN HERE
IN THE FIRST
PLACE?



THIS WORLD
IS ACTUALLY
THE WORLD
INSIDE YOUR
PAINTING.

EH?
SO I AM
REALLY IN MY
OWN PAINT-
ING?

IT SEEMS
THAT WAY. THE
"SECOND HAND
OF TIME" USED
YOU TO
POSSESS THE
PAINTING.

SO
LISTEN
...

OUCH!!



FROM THE
OUTSIDE, WE
COULD SEAL
THE "SECOND
HAND OF TIME"
WITHIN.

AND WE
COULD CHAIN
IT UP.



AND
SO
!



THE SEAL
ON IT WAS
BROKEN WHEN
IT SYNCHED
WITH YOU.



THERE'S A
SLIGHT
PROBLEM
...



SO LET'S
HURRY
UP AND
SEAL IT
...



RIKU-
SAN IS
HERE?

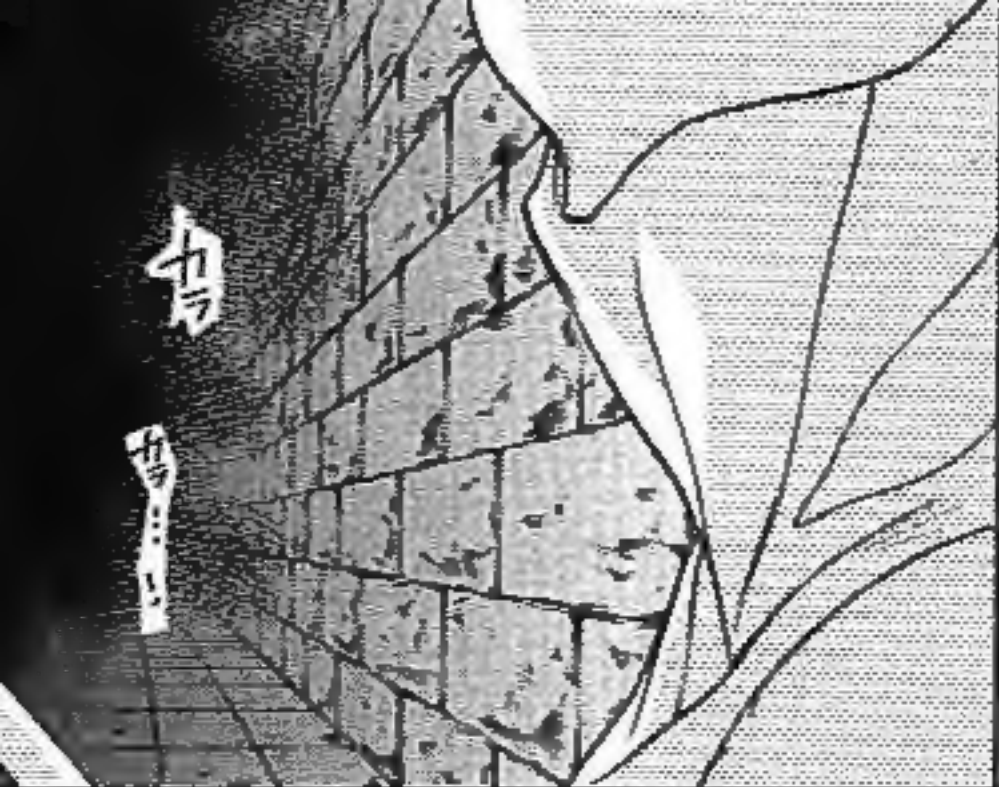
EEH
!?

*BINGO.

WHEN I'M
NOT
AROUND,
YOU ARE
ALWAYS
LIKE THAT!

YOU GOT
CAUGHT
TRYING TO
PULL SOME-
THING
AGAIN,
DIDN'T YOU?

IT WASN'T
MY FAULT
SHE LANDED
IN THIS
MESS TOO
...

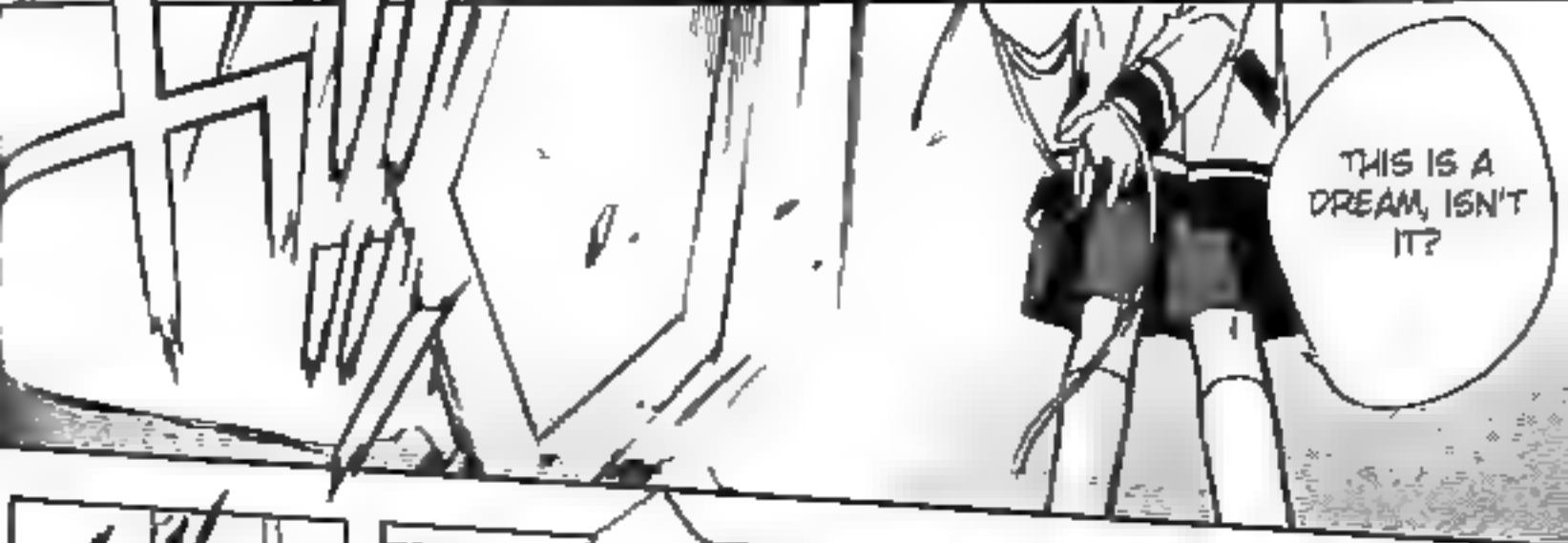






RIKU-
SAN!!

NIWA-
KUN
!?



Is it
because
this is a
dream!?

HOW DID
YOU
KNOW!?

A
DRAWING
OF RIKU-
SAN'S
ROOM!

THIS ISN'T
GOOD
...

AND IN
ORDER TO
ESCAPE
...

ARE CON-
NECTED
THROUGH MY
PAINTING.

THIS
WORLD
AND OUR
REAL
WORLD,

AND THE
PEOPLE
THERE ACCU-
RATELY.

DRAW THE
WORLD
...

I HAVE
TO
...



OI!
MORE OF
THEM
COMING.
HURRY!



THAT IS
WHY...

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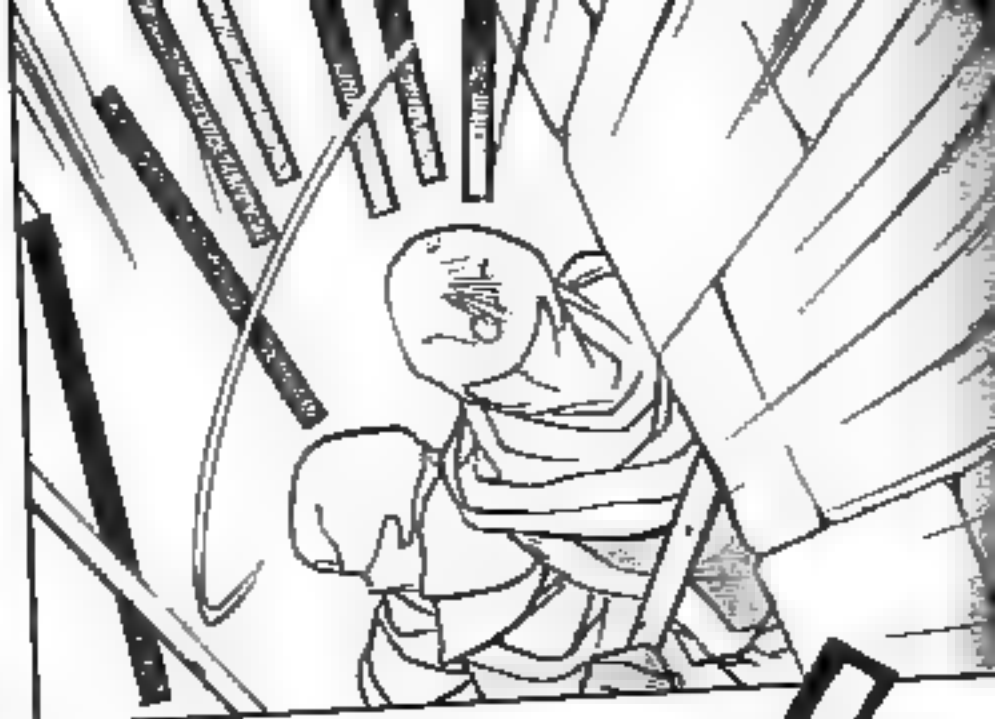
DARK!

YOU HAVE
TO TAKE
RIKU-SAN
BACK!

I HAVE
TO STAY
HERE.



!?



KYAA!!

I MEAN,
WHAT FREE-
DERT IS
LOOKING FOR
AND SEND IT
HERE IN ANY
WAY YOU
CAN!!

TELL DAD
AND EVERYONE
ELSE THAT.
AND YOU HAVE
TO LOOK FOR
WHAT THE
"SECOND HAND
OF TIME"

...

WHEN YOU
GET BACK,
YOU HAVE
TO FIND A
WAY TO GET
ME BACK AS
WELL.

IT'S
TRUE!

THERE IS
A HIDDEN
MEANING
TO THE
STORY!

BUT I DO
KNOW ONE
THING!!

YOU WERE
RIGHT WHEN
YOU SAID THE
STORY "ICE
AND SNOW"
WAS TOO
PURE.

I SAID LET
ME GO!!
LET GO!!

WHAT
FREEDERT
IS LOOKING
FOR?

I DON'T
KNOW
WHAT IT
IS
...

LET GO!

IT'S
FINISHED!

IS IT
RIGHT?

NIWA-
KUN!

THIS IS A
DREAM,
ISN'T IT?

IT'S
JUST MY
DREAM, IS
THAT
RIGHT?



THAT'S
RIGHT,
RIKU-
SAN.

I'LL SEE
YOU
TOMOR-
ROW.

AT
SCHOOL.



IT'S A LIE!
NIWA-KUN!

IT'S
A LIE
...

I'M
STAYING
HERE
...



THERE IS A
MESSAGE
FOR YOU
FROM
HIWATARI.

"YOU HAVE
A POWER
THAT COULD
MANIPULATE
TIME."



BELIEVE
IT!

I AM
DEFI-
NITELY
COMING
BACK!

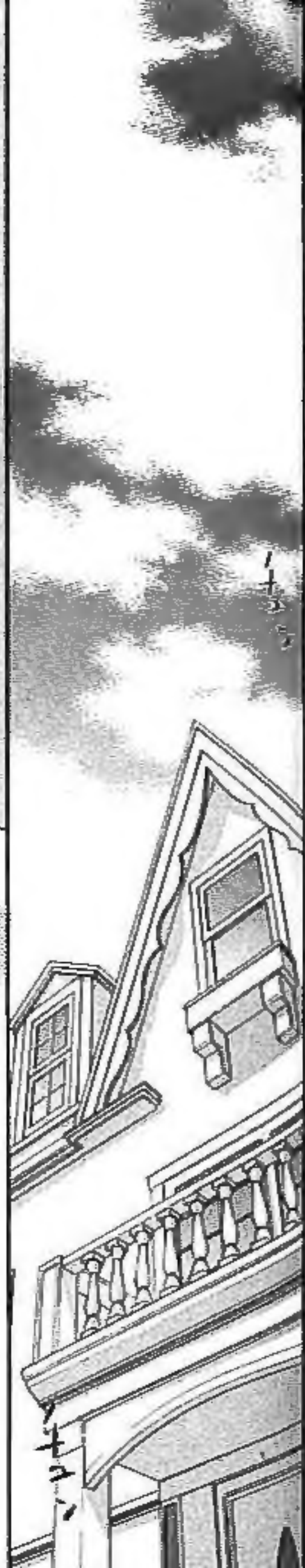




THE
"SECOND
HAND OF
TIME."

YOU
ARE
:

FREE-
DERT.





I SEE.
I'M
GLAD
...



WHA-?
I...?

WASN'T I
WEARING A
HEADBAND?